



Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance Reporting Form

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1a	Is your agency adopting a single agency ordinance OR a regional agency alliance ordinance?	Single Agency Ordinance ▼
1b	Date of adoption OR anticipated adoption:	The City of Dublin plans to adopt an ordinance that is at least as efficient as the MWELO in Spring 2017. In the interim, we have been and will continue to use the MWELO. The City will submit a copy of the Ordinance once it has been adopted.
2a	Reporting period:	
2b	December 1, 2015 through December 28, 2015 (all agencies)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
2c	February 1, 2016 through February 28, 2016 (additional reporting period for agencies crafting regional ordinances with other agencies)	<input type="radio"/>
3a	Are you using:	the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO) ▼
3b	For agencies who have adopted a modified WELO	
3c	Is it at least as efficient as MWELO?	▼
3d	URL for your WELO	
3e	List major changes from the State's MWELO	
3f	If specific types of projects are exempt (other than those already specified in MWELO), state what they are and the sections of the ordinance that they are exempt from.	
3g	Have elements from other regulations been incorporated (e.g., tree shading percent coverage requirement, stormwater capture requirements).	▼
3h	If yes, describe:	
4	If other agencies are implementing the ordinance, explain their role:	N/A
5	Permitted projects subject to the ordinance during the reporting period (*e.g., single family residences, commercial projects, landscape retrofits for which permits were finalized during the reporting period, etc.):	



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6a	Total landscape area subject to the ordinance over the reporting period:	Unknown. Prior to the revised MWELO being adopted, the City was not tracking the square footage of landscape areas installed within the City. The City has since modified its permitting system to capture this information.
6b	Unit of Measure (sq. ft. or acres)	
7a	During the reporting period, how many of the following types of projects did your agency issue final permits on:	
7b	new housing starts	35
7c	new commercial projects	1
7d	landscape retrofits	-
8	Describe the procedure for review of projects subject to the ordinance:	Landscape plans are reviewed as part of plan check process. The City uses landscape consulting firms to review landscape plans.
9a	Describe actions taken to verify compliance:	During the plan check process, the landscape plans are reviewed to verify compliance with the MWELO. If the landscape plans are not consistent with the Model Ordinance, plan check comments are provided to the project applicant outlining the deficiencies. The issues must be addressed before the landscape plan is approved.
9b	Is a plan check performed?	Yes
9c	If so, by what entity?	City of Dublin
10	Describe implementation and enforcement measures:	The City of Dublin performs inspections of all newly installed landscape areas (this occurs prior to the permit being finalized) to assure that the landscape has been installed per the approved landscape plan. As part of the inspection, the irrigation is also checked.
11	Explain challenges to implementing and enforcing the ordinance:	The revised MWELO decreased the threshold to 500 SF for new landscape areas. The low threshold has resulted in many more homeowner installed landscapes being subject to the model ordinance. This is challenging in that it results in a significant increase in cost to homeowners installing landscaping.
12	Describe educational and other needs to properly apply the ordinance:	Educational materials (i.e. handouts, FAQ sheets, etc.) geared towards homeowners would be helpful.
13	Additional Comments:	

[Please submit reports, including a copy of your local water efficient landscape ordinance, via email to \[WELO@water.ca.gov\]\(mailto:WELO@water.ca.gov\) by December 31, 2015. Agencies preparing a regional ordinance must submit an additional report by March 1, 2016. For questions, please call Ms. Julie Saare-Edmonds at \(916\) 651-9676.](#)